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In re Application of: Group Art Unit: Not Assigned A. Said El Shami Examining Attorney: Not Assigned Continuation Serial No.: Not Assigned (Divisional Serial No.: 07/303,712) **Date:** March 9, 1998 Continuation Application Filed: Herewith Pasadena, California (Divisional Filed 01/27/1989) For: METHOD FOR MEASURING FREE) LIGANDS IN BIOLOGICAL FLUIDS, AND ASSAY KITS FOR MEASURING SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patent and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Drawings: \/

Please cancel the drawings originally filed in Divisional Application Serial Number 303,712 and use the most recent formal